

# Delaware Brownfields Grant Program

# Brownfields Grant Program History

**July, 2003**

- \$3M Fund: \$2M for Public/Non-Profit and \$1M for Private Entities**
- \$50k per site: \$40k for environmental activities and \$10k for admin costs**
- \$1M per any Entity**
- Not Covered: Lead and asbestos abatement, Demolition unless Necessary**

**March, 2004**

- Amounts and Restrictions Identical**
- Multiple Parcels considered One Project**

**November, 2006**

- \$5M Fund: \$3M for Public/Non-Profit and \$2M for Private Entities**
- \$1M per Public/Non-Profit Entity or Site**
- \$225k (\$125k @1:1 and \$100k@2:1) per Private Entity or Site**
- Intro of Preliminary Approved Environmental Activity Guide**
- Funding Preference given to LEEDS', Inclusionary Housing, or Level 1 or 2 Growth Area**
- Same Multiple Parcel Restriction**
- Intro of BFVCP, ie, Funding and Liability Protection for PRPs Who Did Not Cause or Contribute to Release**

**March, 2008**

- Brownfields Grant Eligible Expenses Guidance Finalized**

**September, 2008**

- Amendment Limiting BFVCP Participation to Entities from July 1, 2004 Forward**

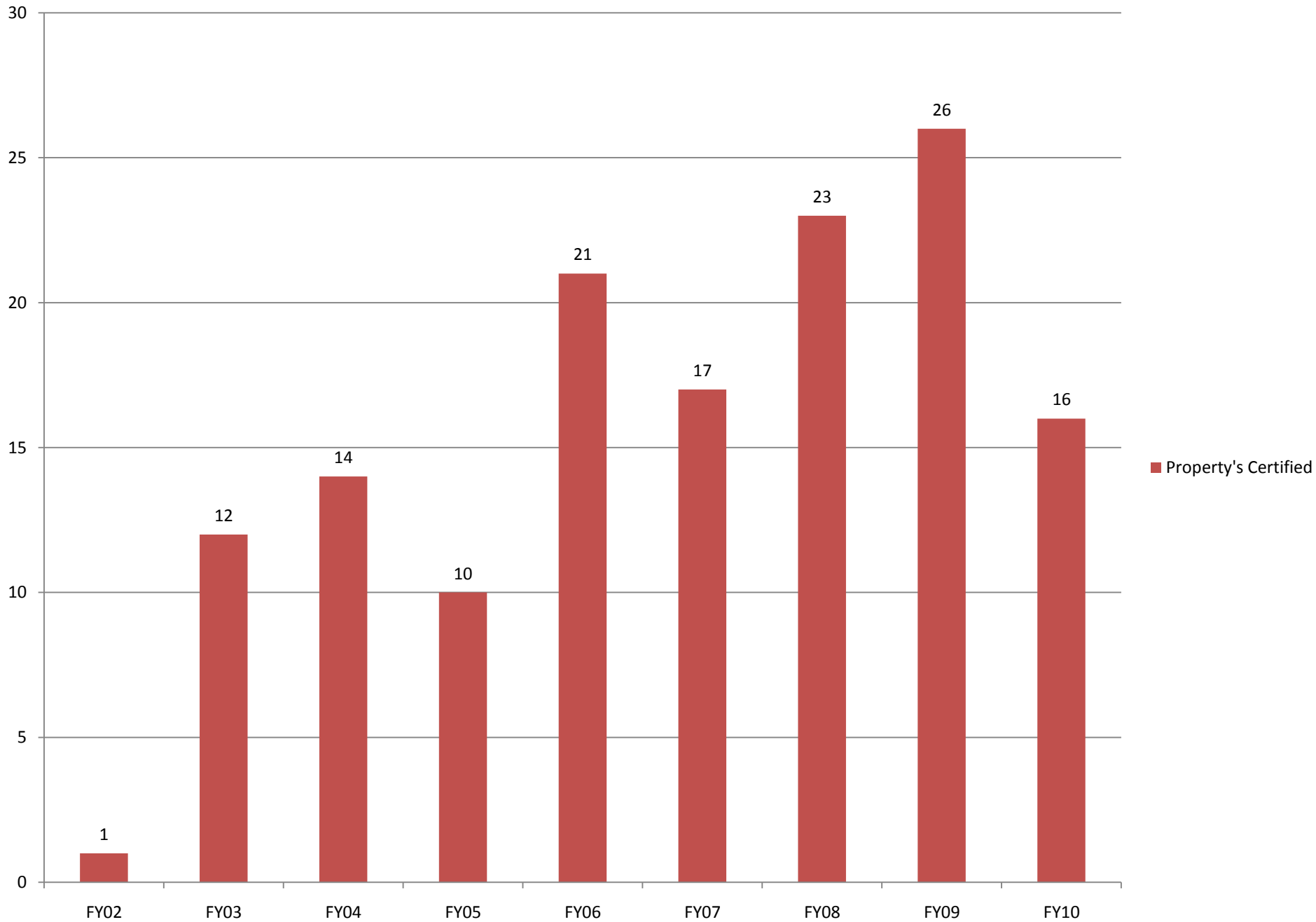
**December, 2009**

- BFVCP to Sunset December 31, 2010**

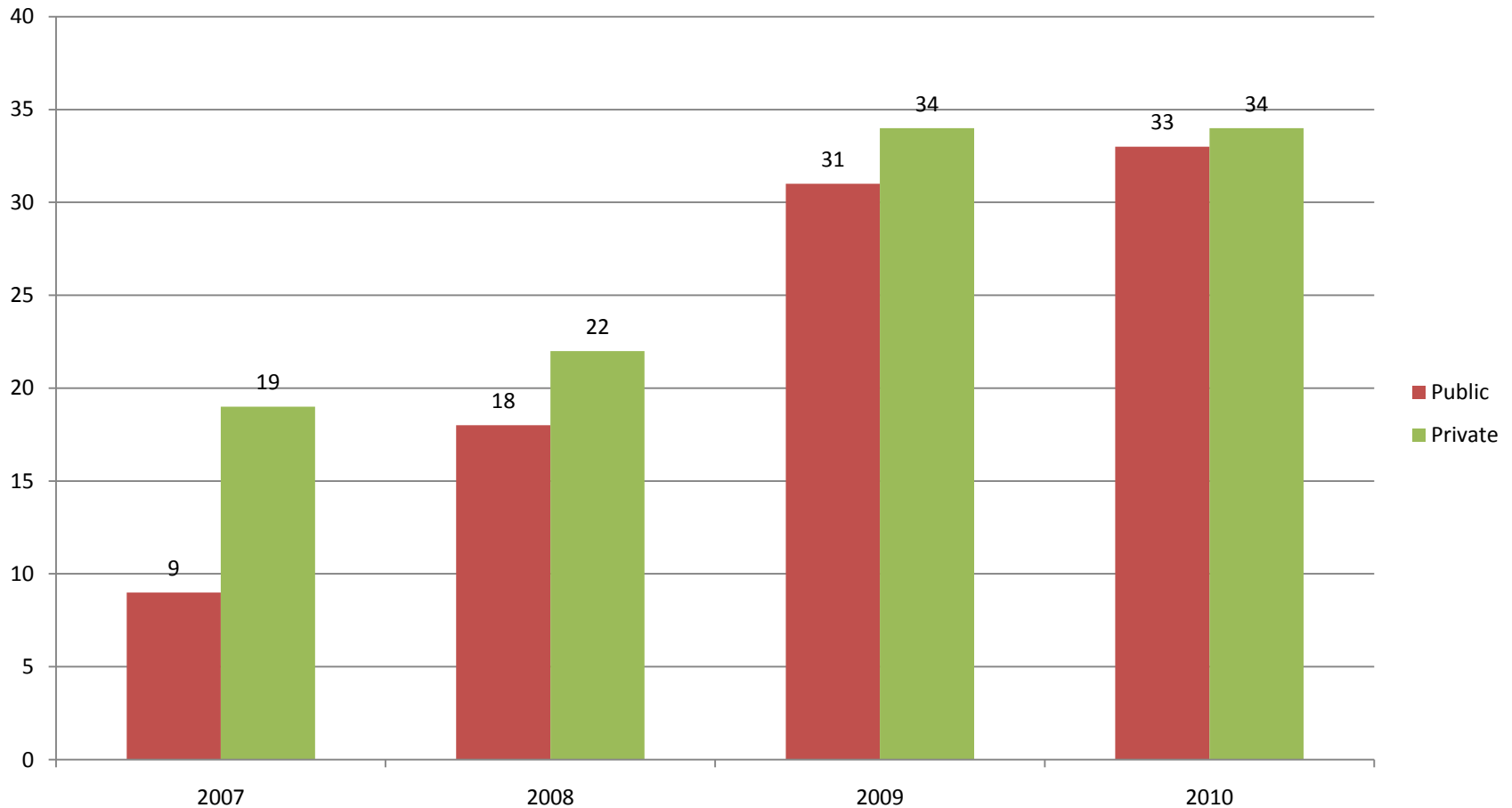
# Brownfields Grant Program Trends

- **Brownfield Certifications have Increased Annually**
- **Certified Properties Receiving Grant Monies have Increased Annually**
- **The BF Grant Fund is Depleting its Dollar Limit 3-6 Months prior to the End of the Fiscal Year**
- **BFVCPs Increased to 32% of All Certified Sites**
- **BFVCP Funding Comprised 58% of Total Funding**
- **DEDO BF Awards Since 2003 Total \$1,646,765.00 (19 Sites)**

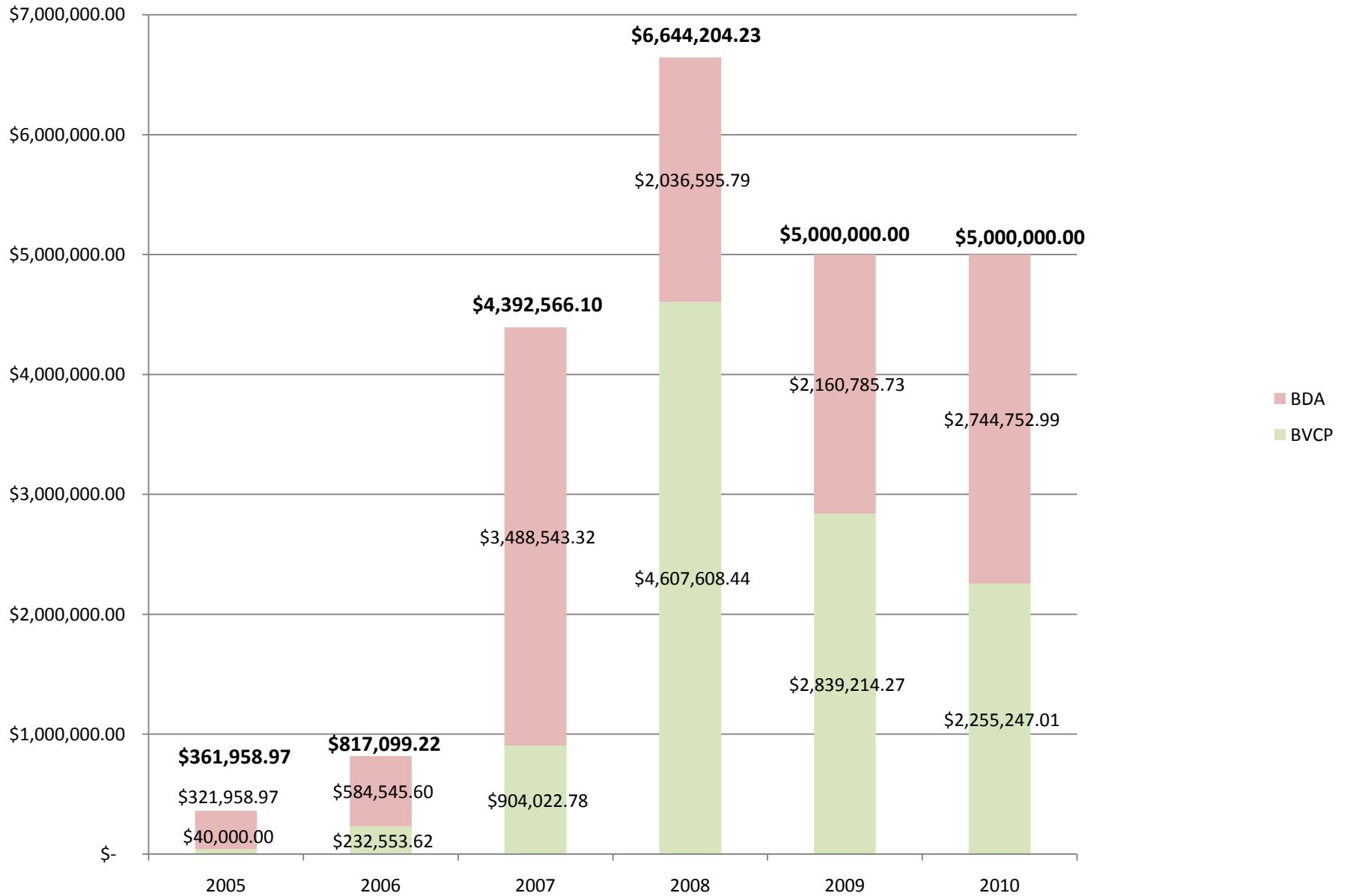
## Property's Certified



# Certified Properties Requesting Funding Annually



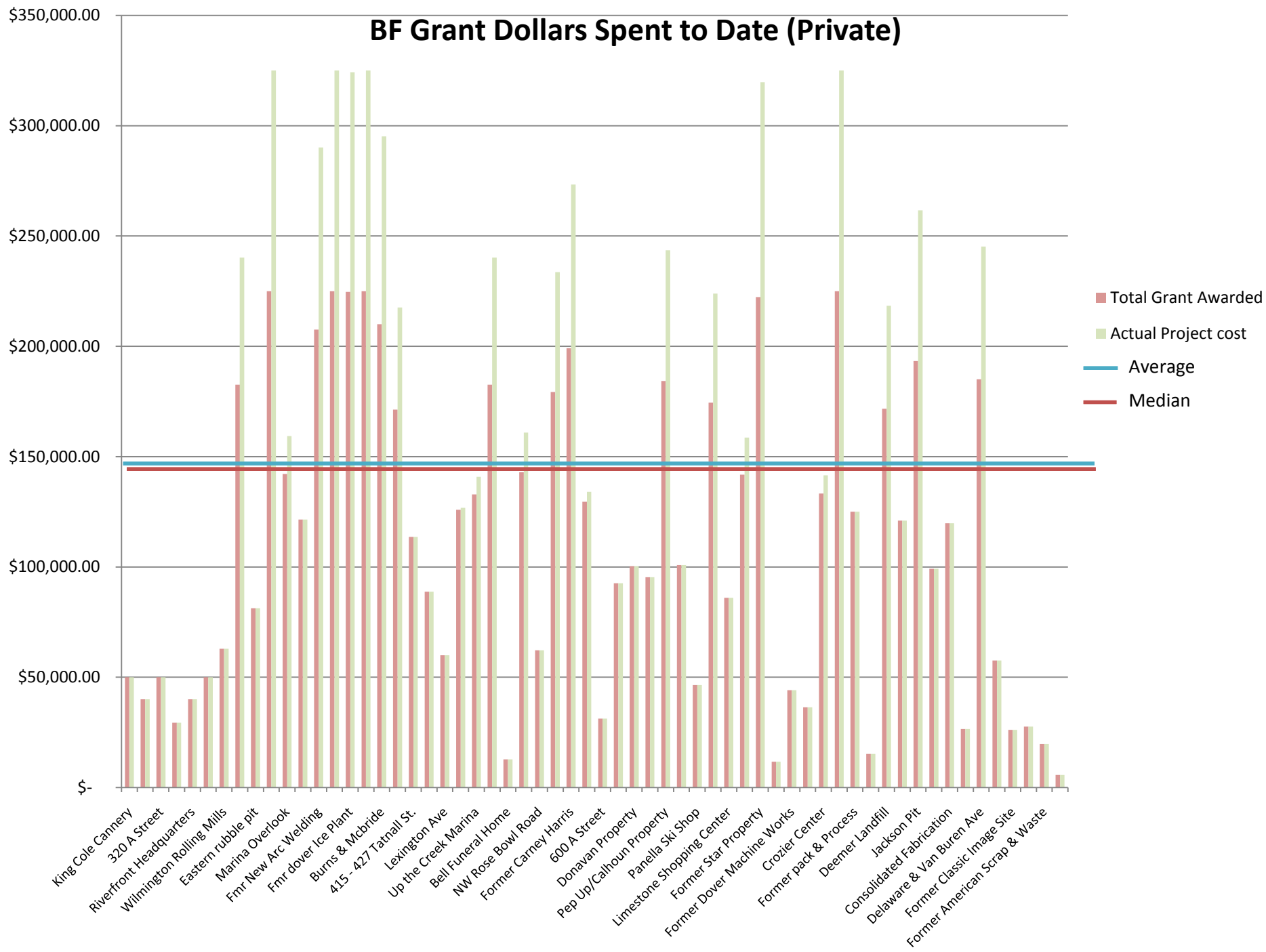
## BF Dollars Spent per Year



# Private Certified Brownfield Properties

- Average spent \$111,467.00
- Median spent \$107,239.00
- About 1/3 of the properties have spent over \$150,000.00 on the redevelopment of their Brownfield Property
  - The Graph depicts what the state reimburses and what the actual cleanup costs are based on invoices received by DNREC.

# BF Grant Dollars Spent to Date (Private)

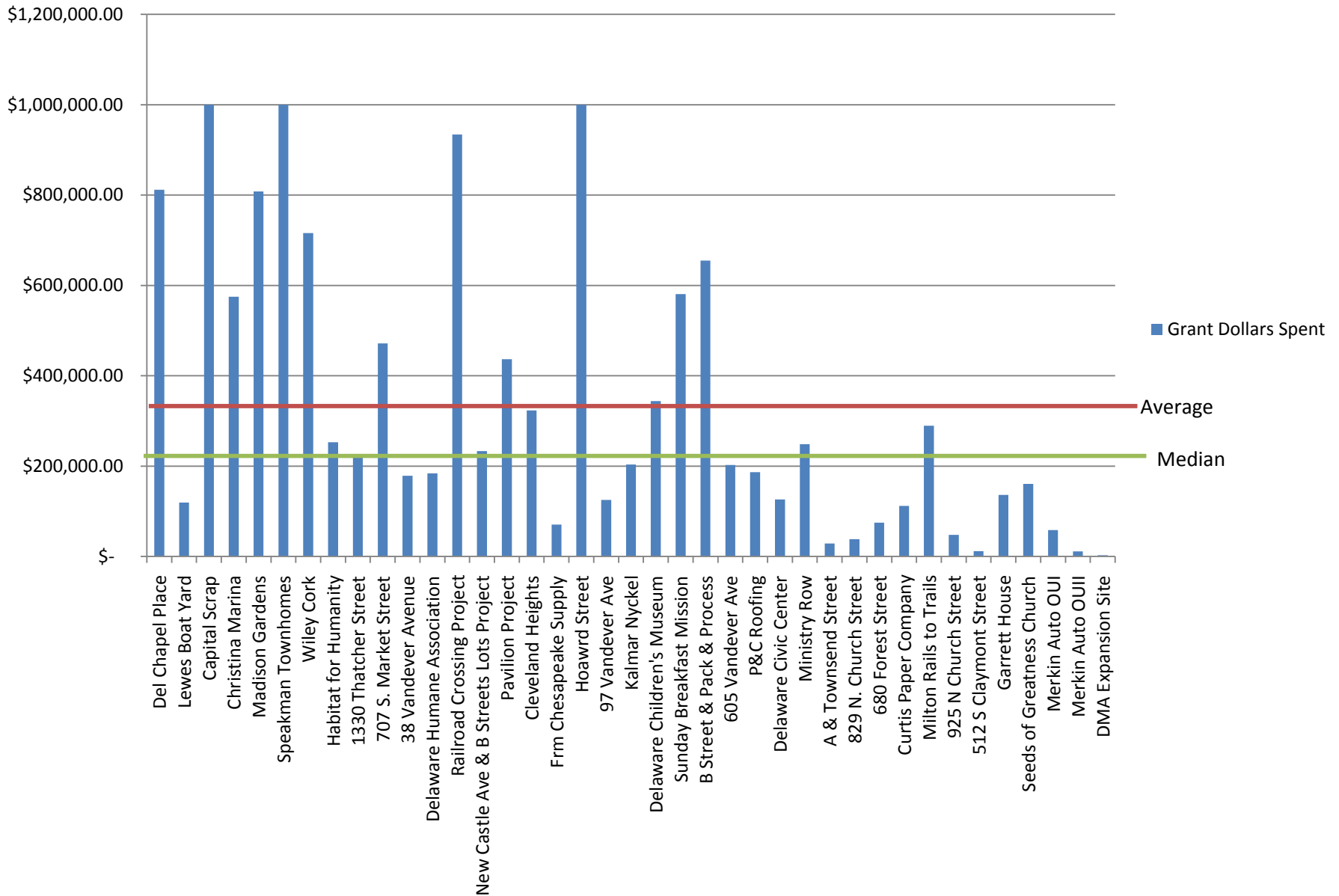




# Public Certified Brownfield Properties

- Average spent \$332,847.00
- Median spent \$214,426.00
- $\frac{1}{4}$  of the properties have exceeded \$500,000.00 for environmental remediation of their Brownfield Property
  - 29 out of 40 Properties are still under active remediation
  - Potential for more than  $\frac{1}{4}$  to spend over \$500,000.00

## Grant Dollars Spent to Date (Public)



# Recommendations

- Reevaluate After BFVCP Sunsets
- Fund Investigations as Invoices are Received  
& Fund Remedial Activities Only When Ready to Develop
- Give High Priority to DEDO Funded Sites
- Lower the Award Amounts for both Non-Profit/Public and Private Parties.
  - For Non-Profit/Public Entities - \$500,000.00 - \$750,000
  - For Private Entities - \$175,000 @ 1:1 Match or  
-\$200,000 @ 1:1 Match up to \$150,00 and  
2:1 Match for remaining \$50,000